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Dear Xxxxx:

This letter is in response to your letter dated November 12, 1999. The nature of your letter and the information you have provided require that we respond with a General Information Letter, which is designed to provide general information, is not a statement of Department policy and is not binding on the Department. See 2 Ill. Adm. Code 1200.120(b) and (c), enclosed.

In your letter, you have stated and made inquiry as follows:

I am sending this letter requesting any available forms or information you may have concerning a small business. I am in the process of starting my own cleaning business and would like any possible information you may have on the process of getting a tax ID number and any other paperwork that I would be necessary for me to begin my business. If you could please send the information to the following address:

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Thank you, very much, for your time.

In Illinois, Use Tax is imposed on the privilege of using, in this State, any kind of tangible personal property that is purchased anywhere at retail from a retailer. See the enclosed copy of 86 Ill. Adm. Code 150.101. If the purchases occur in Illinois, the purchasers must pay the Use Tax to the retailer at the time of purchase. If the purchases occur outside Illinois, and the vendor does not collect the Illinois tax, purchasers must self assess their Use Tax liability and remit it directly the Department.

Persons who provide cleaning services and use cleaning supplies as part of those services incur Use Tax liability on the cost price of those cleaning supplies because they use the cleaning supplies as part of providing their cleaning service. The recipients of those services incur no tax liability in regard to the use of the supplies by the cleaning service providers. Because the supplies are used by the cleaning services, they cannot be purchased for resale.

For your information, we have enclosed a NUC-1 Illinois Business Registration form.

I hope this information is helpful. The Department of Revenue maintains a Web site, which can be accessed at [www.revenue.state.il.us](http://www.revenue.state.il.us). If you have further questions related to the Illinois sales tax laws, please contact the Department's Taxpayer Information Division at (217) 782-3336.

If you are not under audit and you wish to obtain a binding Private Letter Ruling regarding your factual situation, please submit all of the information set out in items 1 through 8 of the enclosed copy of Section 1200.110(b).

Very truly yours,

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